

Notice of Allowability	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
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	Examiner	Art Unit	
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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to the amendments filed on 11/19/001.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-10, 23, and 18 (renumbered as 1-12 respectively).
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 13 August 2001 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* Certified copies not received: _____.

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THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.

5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| 1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | 6. <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____ |
| 3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date <u>11/19/01</u> | 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Amendment/Comment |
| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

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1. Applicant's election of the invention of Group I, claims 1-3, 9, 18 and 23 without traverse is acknowledged.

Claim 1 is generic and allowable. Therefore, dependent claims 2, 4-8 and 10 are rejoined. However, claims 11-17 and 19-22, directed to the invention of Group V remain withdrawn from consideration.

2. This application is in condition for allowance except for the presence of claims 11-17 and 19-22, non-elected without traverse. Accordingly, claims 11-17 and 19-22 have been cancelled.

3. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

The application has been amended as follows:

Claims 11-17 and 19-22 are canceled by the examiner.

4. Claims 1-10, 18 and 23 are allowed.

The prior art of record fails to suggest or disclose:

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With regard to claim 1, A photographic system consisting essentially of a camera and a printer, the camera comprising a photographic device for photographing one scene in one frame in the ordinary photo mode and a series of frames in the fine photo mode, the series being sequentially taken photos of divisions of a scene, wherein each division occupies a full photographic field of one of the frames, and a data recording device for recording data of correlation between the frames of the same scene on a recording medium in the fine photo mode, wherein the photographing of the one scene in one frame in the ordinary photo mode is made with one shutter release operation.

With regard to claim 18, a camera comprising a photographic device for photographing one scene in one frame in the ordinary photo mode and a series of frames in the fine photo mode, the series being sequentially taken photos of divisions of a scene, wherein each division occupies a full photographic field of one of the frames; and a data recording device for recording photographic data relating to each individual frame on a recording medium, the photographic data indicating correlation between the frames of the same scene photographed in the fine photo mode, wherein the photographing of the one scene in one frame in the ordinary photo mode is made with one shutter release operation.

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5. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.


Fields et al discloses a composite image that includes a plurality of images.

Horie et al discloses an image generating apparatus that can devise an image into a plurality images.

6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to TUAN HO whose telephone number is (703) 305-4943. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Fri from 7AM to 4PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Andrew Christensen, can be reached on (703) 308-9644. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 872-9306

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 305-4700.



TUAN HO

Primary Examiner

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